DAVID PETERSON

Lehi Centennial History 1850-1950

David Peterson was born April 22, 1879, in Lehi on the corner of Main and Center Streets. He was the ninth child of Andrew A. and Mary Ann Pherson Peterson. He received his schooling in Lehi, and the Brigham Young University.

He was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints when eight years of age, by B.H. Brown, and was confirmed by his father, Andrew A. Peterson.

He was ordained a Deacon at the age of twelve. He was ordained a Priest at the age of 16, and in 1902 was ordained an Elder by John Worlton. In 1911 he was ordained a Seventy by B.H. Roberts, and then later a High Priest, by John G. Allred.

He married Margery Alice Smith in 1902, in the Salt Lake Temple. Unto this union were born five children, three girls and two boys. They are: Margery Boley, American Fork; Lorena Pratt, deceased; Evelyn Woffinden, Lehi; E. Smith Peterson, Salina; and Alma M. Peterson, Lehi.

He is a faithful worker in the Church, having worked in the superintendency of the Sunday School, also serving as a stake missionary. He is at present secretary of the High Priest group of the Fifth ward, a position he has held since 1936. He was a ward teacher for 36 years.

He was county road supervisor in 1933-1934. He also worked for the Utah Fire Clay Company for eight years. He worked five years hauling hay for the Utah-Idaho Sugar Company. He helped haul brick for construction of the boiler room of the Lehi Sugar factory. Outside of these few years, his occupation remained as farming and cattle raising.